

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests entry of the above Amendments prior to examination. Claim 1 has been amended and claims 2-5 have been canceled. No new matter has been added. The Abstract of the Disclosure has been amended.

If a telephone conference would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, Applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone him at the number provided.

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Victor A. Cardona", written over a horizontal line.

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